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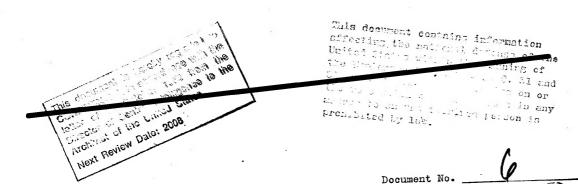
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- 1. On 26 November a visit was made to a godown of the Ming Fu Corporation, Ltd., to inspect a stock of newsprint which was brought in on a recent trip of the Soviet ship, S. S. Smolny. The rolls of paper were being cut into reams, making the paper unidentifiable as to its source.
- 2. The original wrappings of the newsprint rolls contained commercial markings in the Russian language and in addition to these the following Japanese term was noted: This was taken to be a trademark translated as "blue print". A man familiar with both Chinese and Japanese identified this term as being Japanese.
- Some Shanghai paper dealers, after examining samples of this newsprint, believed that it was of Japanese origin since it was too fine a quality to have been manufactured by a Soviet paper mill.

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